

I have been a subscriber to XM for over a year. I find it very difficult to go back to local radio. The unending ads appealing to the lowest common denominator make it difficult to enjoy the music or talk content without switching stations. The only time I listen to local radio is to listen to baseball games and to catch the local forecast. This country is built on capitalism. The core of capitalism is competition. I am a stockbroker--I know competition. I chose XM and I know others who chose Sirius because we would rather pay a premium for commercial free music stations and a variety of content. I hear now that the big money lobbyist of Clear Channel, rather than urging their stations to improve content and compete, are trying to hobble XM and Sirius by discouraging their local weather and traffic system. Please do not allow the big money of yesterday's technology to thwart the future of the airwaves. Perhaps Clear Channel and the like should try competing rather than throwing their money around. JA